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All,

Please find attached the monthly flood remediation update. If there are any questions please let me know.

Thanks

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Table 1 Storm Runoff Response Activities

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ID	Work Area	Work Scope	Completion Target	Status 04/11/2014	Comments
1A	Cutoff Walls	Restore water collection (expose cutoff walls, water collection boxes, clean debris from pipelines)	15-Oct-13	Completed Oct 1 2013	Initial step in the restoration process was to restore water collection to the cutoff walls, and clean collection boxes and pipelines to reestablish flow to the Eastside collection system.
2A	Upper Basin	Establish minimum 10-year/24-Hour storm capacity	1-Dec-13	Completed Mid Nov 2013	URS provided 10yr 24hr event capacities for the affected basins in cubic yards. Material in excess of these volumes was removed from all the basins. An aerial survey conducted on the 24th of Nov. will be used to verify capacities.
2B	Upper Basin	Re-establish stormwater management capacity to pre-storm levels (See URS report, Feb 24, 2009 Hydrologic assessment of the South End Drainages)	TBD	In process	Processing of aerial flight data, conducted on Nov 24, is complete. Preliminary results from URS show that all drainages with exception of Olsen are at pre-storm storage volumes. Work on Olsen was not completed prior to the November flight and a LIDAR survey was conducted to calculate finished storage volumes. Due to upcoming projects at the mine the opportunity was taken to conduct LIDAR surveys on all basins. LIDAR data will provide a higher degree of accuracy for basin volume calculations. Surveying of all basins has been completed and post processing of data is still ongoing.
2C	Upper Basin	Repair breeches in mine waste dump top berms	1-Nov-13	Completed Mid Oct 2013	Visual survey of berms on top of dumps was conducted, areas of concerns were identified and corrective actions assigned. Corrective actions included grading and berm construction to keep stormwater from the mine from concentrating and running down faces of dumps. Monthly inspections are ongoing to insure that berms are in place and functioning, slope is directed away from dump edges and no water is ponded behind berms.
3A	Debris Flow	Remove debris flow material	TBD	Completed Dec 20, 2013	Debris flows down gradient of cut-off-walls were removed and placed up gradient of cut-off-walls in Copper Notch area.

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3B	Debris Flow	Re-establish down gradient secondary containment to pre-storm levels (See URS report, Feb 24, 2009 Hydrologic Assessment of the South End Drainages)	1-Dec-13	Completed Dec 20, 2013	All basins down gradient of cut-off-walls have been cleaned (Yosemite, Saints Rest and South Saints Rest). Culverts have been cleaned as needed and standpipes reinstalled with rock re-enforcement surrounding them.
3C	Debris Flow	Re-seed impacted areas	Fall 2014	Expected to be completed in Spring 2014	Temporary seed mix was applied to disturbed areas to minimize potential erosion. Reclamation seed mix will be applied this fall.
4A	Stormwater Canals	Clean sediment from Upper Lined Canal	1-Dec-13	Completed Mid Dec 2013	Visual inspection of canal occurred and areas impacted by flood debris were identified. These areas were cleaned in Dec. 2013.
4B	Stormwater Canals	Clean sediment from Lower Lined Canal	1-Dec-13	Completed Mid Dec 2013	Visual inspection of canal occurred and areas impacted by flood debris were identified. These areas were cleaned in Dec. 2013.
5A	Butterfield Creek	Map and sample mine waste sediment deposition in riparian areas	1-Nov-13	Completed Sept 2013	In addition to the sediment sampling completed in September, continued weekly samples are collected from Butterfield Creek water. The past month's data for sample site at the Horse/Burro gate indicate clean water and it is available for irrigation purposes. A second sample site was added for weekly sampling at the beginning of the Herriman Irrigation Company pipeline. Lead and arsenic concentrations measured at both sites are low to non-detect. When sediment removal began this spring, water sampling frequency was increased to daily. Lead concentrations upstream from the desilting basins was elevated during removal work and the concentrations were significantly less downstream of the basins.
5B	Butterfield Creek	Evaluate options for management of mine waste material in riparian areas	15-Dec-13	Completed	Addressed in State DNR Steam Alteration as received by DNR on Nov. 22, 2013. SL County also required a permit for any "in and outs" of water diversion and this permit was approved on 4/29/14 to enable the use of the desilting basins.
5C	Butterfield Creek	Secure regulatory approvals, as necessary, for riparian area response	ASAP	Acquired 11/15/2013	Approval was received from the USACOE on Nov. 15, 2013. USACOE has numerous criteria that KUC must meet and this criteria was listed and Work Plan was attached. Once this information was provided by Kennecott, then USACOE did not require a permit and the conditions criteria could be passed to DNR. See comments 5B

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5D	Butterfield Creek	Implement riparian area response, as necessary	5/9/2014	Completed June 2014	Riparian response was submitted to the DNR and SL Co on 5/9/2014 and riparian reclamation was started on 5/12/14. Sediment control features have been placed to minimize erosion from disturbed areas and reseeding has been accomplished. Down stream desilting basin has been reclaimed. An updated stabilization plan was submitted to UDNR on 6-11-14.
5E	Butterfield Creek	Work area assessments	NA	Completed second week of April	No longer occurring as work has resumed.
6A	Third Party	Identify and map possible mine waste sediment deposition on third party properties	15-Oct-13	Completed Sept 2013	Within a week after the mine sediment deposition, all third parties mapped.
6B	Third Party	Sample possible mine waste sediment on third party properties	1-Nov-13	Completed Sept 2013	Within a week after the mine sediment deposition, all third parties were sampled.
6C	Third Party	Determine appropriate response actions for third parties through discussions with third parties	TBD	In process, see comments	Appropriate response action agreement is completed with four of the five third party groups. Response action is in progress with one of the five third party groups.
6D	Third Party	Implement third party property response actions	TBD	In process, see comments	There are five third party groups, with response actions and field work completed with four of the five groups. Access agreements and response actions are still pending with one of the groups.
6E	Third Party	Work area assessments	NA	Completed second week of April	No longer occurring as work has resumed.

TBD = To Be Determined

ASAP = As Soon As Possible

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